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## 2008 Non-Legislative Priorities

As of April 28, 2008

### EDUCATION

#### CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

1) Host a forum on career technical education in K-12 and or health care career opportunities at community college.

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIKE DAVIS)

#### HIGH SCHOOL DROP OUTS

2) Collaboration with Senate Select Committee on High School Dropout rate to conduct hearings.

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIKE DAVIS)

### HEALTH

#### HEALTH DISPARITIES AND ACCESS

3) Conduct public hearing in the Inland Empire with the San Bernardino Board of Supervisors to address health disparities in the black population.

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER WILMER AMINA CARTER)

4) Hold public hearing in Sacramento with the State Department of Health to address the infant mortality rate in the Black population

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER KAREN BASS; ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIKE DAVIS)

5) Coordinate a public hearing on strategies to address the obesity epidemic.

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER MERVYN DYMALLY)

6) Host a Town Hall to address hospital closures in Los Angeles County.

(SENATOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS)

## **HOUSING**

### **SUB-PRIME CRISIS**

7) Hold a community forum to educate the public on the Legislative Black Caucus package of proposals on the housing crisis.

(SENATOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS)

8) Work in concert with the Assembly Banking and Finance Committee and community organizations to hold a hearing in Oakland regarding sub prime crisis

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER KAREN BASS; ASSEMBLY MEMBER SANDRÉ SWANSON)

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **CREATING AWARENESS AROUND STATE CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES**

9) The Select Committee on Procurement will hold hearings/forums to inform and link black businesses with government contracting opportunities.

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER CURREN PRICE)

### **GREEN JOBS IN CALIFORNIA**

10) Hold a community meeting on “green collar” jobs in Los Angeles County.

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER KAREN BASS)

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### **JOB CREATION FOR EX-OFFENDERS**

11) Host Town Hall meetings in Oakland and Los Angeles regarding barriers to reentry in collaboration with community organizations.

(ASSEMBLY MEMBER SANDRÉ SWANSON; ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIKE DAVIS; ASSEMBLY MEMBER KAREN BASS)